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POEMS

MY LADY SURRENDERS

How did She abdicate?
Was it with soft sighs,
And pretty feignings of a lover's state?
Or was it solemn-wise,
With altar offerings and rapt vows?
Oh, no!—when Love himself was there
Most housewifely she bound her hair,
And was off across the fields to milk the cows.

THE SILENCE

When I meet you, I greet you with a stare,
Like a poor shy child at a fair.
I will not let you love me—yet am I weak,
I love you so intensely that I cannot speak.
When you are gone I stand apart,
And whisper to your image in my heart.

SENTIMENTS

Windswept from where they grew,
These tender flowers lie dead.
How many things were true
Had they been left unsaid!